

Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission
Wednesday, August 20, 2008
Conference Call
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Members in Attendance: Senator Frank Barnitz, Vice Chairman Representative David Pearce, Senator Bill Stouffer, Kent Thomas, Robert Welling, and Representative Terry Witte and Chairman Dalton Wright

Members Absent: Jeff Bloemker

Guests in Attendance: Pat Kerr, Missouri Veterans Commission; Maggie Martin, Fort Leonard Wood Liaison; Col. Allan Stark, Missouri National Guard; and Krista Zurkamer, Department of Economic Development

Chairman Dalton Wright called the MMPEC August 20, 2008 conference call meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

The Commission began by discussing the 2008 DRAFT Annual Report. The Commission proceeded to go through the report page by page noting additions, deletions and changes that need to be made. The following edits were discussed for the report:

Page 1

- A table of contents will be added to the beginning of the report.
- The Commission felt the current introduction in its entirety was not needed and would be replaced by a small introduction paragraph that would catch the essence of the Commission. Possibly the paragraph from the Commission's website.

Page 2

- The ***Membership*** section would be updated to delete Loretta Charleston, add the Missouri Veterans Commission as an ex-officio member and replace Krista Zurkamer with the new Commission Coordinator.

Page 3

- The Commission would add "*In 2008*" to the beginning of the ***Meetings*** section and change "*meetings were held on*" to "*met on*".
- The Commission felt in the ***Meetings*** section there needed to be some kind of presence for Fort Leonard Wood so there was agreement to add "*Fort Leonard Wood TBD*".
- Delete the Task Force information under the ***Meetings*** Section.

- Delete the *Education of Military Dependents Task Force* and *Quality of Life Committee* sections from the report.

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- Move the *Compliance* section paragraph to the bottom of the *Introduction* section at the beginning of the report.
- Delete the *Perspective* section.
- The *Department of Defense Impact in Missouri* section will be expanded to highlight the military presences in Missouri to include: Fort Leonard Wood, Whiteman Air Force Base, National Guard and the Reserve. These different summaries were assigned to individuals: Tanya Harencak-WAFB, Dalton Wright-FLW, Pat Kerr-Reserve and Col. Allan Stark-National Guard.
- The last sentence in the *Legislation* section would be deleted.
- There will be an addition of a new section on this page, *Federal Impact Aid in Missouri* along with a section for the *Military Child Education Coalition*. Krista Zurkamer would get the impact aid numbers from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Ms. Harencak would provide the MCEC section in relation to her participation in this year's conference.

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- #4 of the *Recommendations for Legislative Action* section was tabled and would be discussed at the next conference call meeting to discuss further how to elevate this recommendation to ascertain additional funds for the Commission.
- The *Agency Rulemaking and Regulation* section will be deleted.
- The *Special Education Recommendations* section will be dissolved with the deletion of 1a, 1c, 1d, 1e, 1f, and 1g.; those remaining (1b and 1h) would be moved down to the Recommendations for other State Action section.

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- #1 of the *Recommendations for Other State Action* section “*and interest in military family issues;*” would be added at the end.
- #3 of the *Recommendations for Other State Action* section “*through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education website*” will be added to the beginning of the point.

- #4 of the ***Recommendations for Other State Action*** section delete “*of Dr. Hugh B. Price suggesting a*” and add “*resources available*”.
- #6 of the ***Recommendations for Other State Action*** section delete “*Expand effort to*”.
- Move #7 to the beginning of the ***Recommendations for Other State Action*** section to emphasize its importance for 2009.

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- Combine all of the on-line resources to one page entitled ***On-Line Resources***.
- List the Commission’s web address below the title of this section.
- Note the Guidon is the FLW newspaper.

Legacy

- List out the ***Legacy*** section 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005.
- In the 2008 part of the ***Legacy*** section list out the bill information the same as the previous years, delete “*this bill*”.

Chairman Wright asked that everyone e-mail Ms. Zurkamer any additional information and suggestions. The Commission discussed possible dates for another conference call meeting to further work on the 2008 DRAFT Annual Report. Wednesday, September 24 at 10:30 am was agreed to, Chairman Wright asked Ms. Zurkamer to make all the proper arrangements.

Chairman Wright reminded everyone that our next meeting will be on October 15, 2008 at Whiteman Air Force Base and details will follow.

With no further business Chairman Dalton Wright adjourned the conference call meeting at 12:03pm.

Minutes Approved:

Date: